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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 3738
PATENT**

Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 7528.0003-01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Todd J. MORTIER et al.) Group Art Unit: 3738
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Application No.: 09/981,790) Examiner: D. Willse
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Filed: October 19, 2001) Confirmation No.: 6743
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For: VALVE TO MYOCARDIUM)
TENSION MEMBERS DEVICE)
AND METHOD)

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a two month extension of time to reply to the Office
Action of April 18, 2005. A fee of \$450.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge
any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

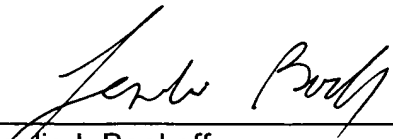
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